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In re Application of:

HIROSHI TOMIYAMA et al.

GROUP ART UNIT: 1623

Serial Number: 10/560,357

EXAMINER: Bland, Layla D.

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SERUM CHOLESTEROL LOWERING For:

> AGENT OR PREVENTIVE OF THERAPÉUTIC AGENT FOR

ATHEROSCLEROSIS

ELECTION

The Honorable Commissioner of **Patents** Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Election Requirement dated December 11, 2007, for which a shortened statutory period for response of one (1) month was given, Applicants herewith elect the Group I invention for prosecution in this application, drawn to an agent comprising a

compound of formula (1) and a cholesterol biosynthesis inhibitor, in the absence of a fibrate-type cholesterol lowering agent. This Election is made without traverse, and Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, and 9-12 (in part); 6, and 13-20 recite the elected invention.

An early Office Action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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